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ASTAXANTHIN-CONTAINING LIPIDS)

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Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed August 19, 2009, the Office is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following remarks in the above-identified application. A Petition for a THREE-month extension of time, extending the period of response until February 19, 2010, is attached hereto along with the requisite fee.

Remarks begin on page 2.

Appendix I is attached.